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- 1. Rumenian medical men are now being required to take a period of military instruction. This is given in camps located near the Soviet frontier. It is normally supposed to last for two months.
- 2. The Communists have taken advantage of this rule to draw up a list of medical men who are either suspected of being hostile to the regime, or merely of not being cooperative. After the regular training period is over, doctors on their list are either saked to make an inspection of some kind, or else to work for a time in a forced labor camp. Theoretically the period of this service is short, but it is, in fact, likely to last indefinitely.
- 3. In this way the Communist Party gets rid of doctors who are not active in the Party and who might even, in view of the nature of their profession, become harmful to it. Already it is noted that a number of the doctors who have left for the period of military instruction have not returned, though their legal period of service has long since expired.

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